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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition for administration to a subject in need thereof comprising an anesthetically or analgesically effective amount of a NMDA receptor antagonist selected from the group consisting of: ketamine, dextromethorphane, dextrophan, dextropropoxyphene, ketobemidone, budipine, kynurenic acid, 1-hydroxy-3-aminopyrrolidin-2-one, spermine and spermidine; and from about 0.001% to about 0.2% of a benzalkonium chloride preservative in a suitable carrier, wherein the composition does not cause any significant neurotoxicity, and wherein the level of neurotoxicity is comparable to sterile water when administered.
- 2. 18. (Cancelled).
- 19. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim $\underline{1}$ 47, wherein the amount of the benzalkonium chloride is from about 0.07% to about 0.14%.
- 20. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim $\underline{1}$ 17, wherein the amount of the benzalkonium chloride is about 0.002%.
- 21. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the suitable carrier is an aqueous solution selected from the group consisting of water, saline, bicarbonate, sucrose and any mixture of the above components.
- 22. 39. (Cancelled).
- 40. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1, wherein the subject is a mammal.
- 41. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1, wherein the subject is a human.